

CO-OPERATIVE FEDERATION OF VICTORIA

Minutes of the Council Meeting held at 55 Walsh Street, West Melbourne
on 17th April, 1978.

Present:

Mr. M. Rundle (President), Messrs. E. Long, N. Black,
K. Currey, B. Macintosh, J. Mason, O. Slattery,
R. Naismith, and J. Rigby (Secretary)

Apologies:

J. Bainbridge and I. Wood

Minutes:

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 20th
March, 1978 as circulated were confirmed.

Welcome:

The President extended a welcome to Mr. B. Freeman,
Executive Officer of the Co-operative Federation of
New South Wales and invited him to address the
Council on the growth of the New South Wales Federation
and offer any assistance or advice on the situation
as he sees it in Victoria.

Mr. Freeman delivered a very interesting and informative
paper which has been circulated to all Councilors.

It was evident that the growth of the N.S.W. Federation
has been due to the promotion and the services now
extended to their members. These must be attributed
in no small way to the manner in which Mr. Freeman
has carried out his duties.

Many points were brought forward and a free and
informative discussion took place.

Mr. Freeman also stated that his Federation had
adopted the attitude that their state federation
must come first and that while they support the Co-
operative Federation of Australia the federal body
will only be a strong and viable proposition if each
state federation is active and has the full support
of the state co-operatives.

C.F.A. Constitution: As this question is on the Agenda of the next C.F.A.

Council Meeting a discussion took place and it was
felt that some technical amendments were desirable
and agreed that draft recommendations should be
drawn up. In regard to direct membership and collection
of fees by C.F.A., it was felt that this should not
be accepted without reference to state federations
and not even then unless the authority and standing
of the state federations are preserved.

Financial
Statement:

The following statement was received:

Bank Account	\$3,282.09
Y.C.W. Deposit	\$5,000.00

Educational
Program:

The proposed course in conjunction with Department
of Primary Industry and the Kellog Foundation was
discussed but even though Victoria did not indicate
any interest in the project it was felt that there
may have been some interest if the full details and
costs could have been distributed to the individual
co-operatives.

Date of Next
Meeting:

29th May, 1978

Vote of Thanks:

Mr. K. Currey expressed our appreciation to Mr. B. Freeman for his attendance and the information he so freely shared with us. Appreciation was also extended to the Council of the Co-operative Federation of New South Wales for allowing Mr. Freeman to attend our meeting.

Mr. Freeman acknowledged the vote of thanks and offered his further assistance if he could help in any way.

Close:

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45 pm.

Confirmed:


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